

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Takemori TAKAYAMA et al. : **Mail Stop: PCT**  
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SINTERED SLIDING MEMBER AND  
CONNECTING DEVICE  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, kindly  
amend the application as follows:**

**AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE**

**Kindly replace the title used in the International Application as follows:**

**SINTERED SLIDING MEMBER AND CONNECTING DEVICE**